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Marlene Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission The Portals, 12th Street Lobby 445 12th St., SW, Counter TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte Presentation

IB Docket No. 01-185

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, October 8, 2002, David Otten, Chairman & CEO of Celsat America, Inc. ("Celsat"), and the undersigned of this firm met with Evan Kwerel and John Williams of the FCC's Office of Plans and Policy. At the meeting, Celsat reiterated its view that the FCC should permit MSS licensees to incorporate an ancillary terrestrial component (ATC) into their satellite networks as soon as possible. Celsat also stated its position – as reflected in its comments in this proceeding – that the proposed conditions on the use of ATC set forth in the FCC's *Flexible Use NPRM* are sufficient to ensure that ATC remains truly ancillary to the satellite service.

In accordance with Section 1.49(f)(1) of the Commission's rules, an electronic version of this letter is being submitted for inclusion in the docket listed above. Please direct any questions concerning this matter to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Brian Weimer

cc: Evan Kwerel John Williams